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THIRD INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the document listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. A copy of the listed document is also enclosed. A copy of an Austrian Search Report, dated September 14, 2000, is also enclosed for the Examiner's convenience.

The Austrian Search Report also lists U.S. Patent No. 5,531,816 and European Patent No. 0 801 119 A1. Since these documents were previously cited in the Second Information Disclosure Statement filed August 31, 1999, additional copies are not enclosed herewith.

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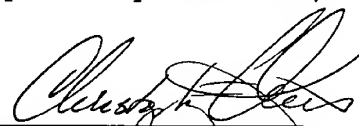
It is hereby certified that each item of information in this Third Information Disclosure Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign Patent Office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing date of this Statement.

CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below-listed address.

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